

Wainscott Weekly

April 1, 2016

Wow what a busy March we had! I am glad that we are moving into April and hopefully getting some nicer weather. It was wonderful to meet with most of you for parent teacher conferences these last few days. As I had mentioned to some of you at our meeting we have a busy month ahead of us before our spring break. The third graders will be taking the state tests for the next two weeks so our routine may be slightly different than most weeks, but never the less we will have a lot of learning going on. For reading the children will continue with the next stories and also start to work on their writing skills; especially poetry. I tend to associate poetry with spring because of the fact that it elicits feelings and emotions. In math we have finished with our facts and are now venturing into fractions/area with the Giants and measurement with the Jets/Bills groups. In social studies we will start learning about different cultures which gives the children a great opportunity to share their own cultures with the rest of us. Please try to talk with them about some of the things that your families do that differ from what others may do. In science all of the kids did well with learning about water cycles and weather. Hopefully when you came to visit you had a chance to see our thermometers, clouds, and weather illustrations hanging up around the school. We will begin to learn about the solar system in the next few weeks and then start to study plants after spring break. As you can tell we have a lot planned including field trips, and other activities. I would like to thank you and wish you well over the weekend! -Mark



Upcoming Events:

April 5th - 7th: Grade 3 NYS ELA Test

April 7th: Parent Meeting / Tech Support 6-8 pm

April 8th: Grades 2&3 Circus Performance @ 2 pm



Students of the Week

Kaylee Munoz
and
Mariano Quihuiiri



Welcome APRIL! I can't believe how quickly the year has gone. The students have shown tremendous growth and I look forward to more development in the next few months. The Guppies have worked with letter Vv as an initial and ending sound in words and pictures. They are becoming secure in decoding and synthesizing CVC words. Practice at home often. In math we are working with 2D shapes. This week we have focused on circles and triangles. The Rainbow Fish read a wonderful story called The Dot about a little girl who changes her feelings about her art. We utilized a Venn diagram to compare and contrast the girl's attitude from the beginning to the end of the story. The Belugas read a story, The Garden from Arnold Lobel's Frog and Toad series. They are learning how to write simple summaries about the stories that have read. In math we worked with addition of two digit numbers. They were all so excited to see that they could do it. In Science we continued our study of weather by discussing the attributes of the season spring. In Social Studies we worked on American symbols and made crafts for the Liberty Bell. Many of you are going on Raz-Kids- Super Job!

It was nice to see many of you at conferences. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Have a great weekend!

Kelly

